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July 21st, 1917

Miss Hazel McCain,

Florenceville, N.B.

Dear Miss McCain:

In the absence of President Falconer I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th inst. Miss Laird is also out of town so that I can get no official statement of your work in Household Science. The matter will have to wait until President Falconer and Miss Laird return to the city.

In the meantime I would advise you to return the certificate issued to you in error by the Department of Education, and to send it to the Department without delay.

Yours very truly,

President's Secretary.

September 12th, 1917

Miss Hazel McCain,

Florenceville, N.B.

Dear Miss McCain:

I am sending you a certificate as to your standing in Household Science which Miss Laird has certified.

I am sorry to find from your letter that you did not at once return the certificate to the Department of Education which was sent to you by mistake. You and Miss Mutch were admitted to the course from outside by favour of the Education Department and on the understanding that you would not be eligible for their certificate. You will only have done yourself harm by endeavouring to strike a bargain with the Ontario Education Department when they were entirely in the right.

Yours sincerely,

President.

September 18th, 1917

This is to certify that Miss Hazel E. McCain was a registered student of the University of Toronto during the session 1916-17, that she took a special course in the Department of Household Science similar to that provided for teachers in Ontario Schools, and that her standing in the Ordinary Certificate Course was as follows:

Part I Second Class honours

Part II First Class honours.

President,

University of Toronto.

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Florenceville, N.B.
July 16/17.

President Falconer
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir:-

In May of this year I successfully completed the one year Normal Course in Household Science at Toronto and in due time received my certificate. Shortly after this I received a letter from the Deputy Minister of Education saying that the issuing of my certificate was a clerical error and demanding its return. To this I replied that I had worked

hard throughout the year and accordingly after successfully passing all examinations for that the certificate belonged to me. In the same letter I offered to consider any work while I for he had to make in Household Science. I had not applied for any school in New Brunswick or Ontario as I did not know of any openings. Since that time two openings have developed along other lines - Women's Institute work and Dietitian work in the military hospitals. The latter, I was strongly urged by members of the Household Science Faculty to take up. Consequently I filed an application with Miss Riley.

This work I did not mention to Mr Colquhoun but made the

offer before mentioned.
On Saturday I received another letter from the Deputy Minister demanding the return of the certificate or else it would be cancelled and the New Brunswick Department of Education would be notified. No mention was made at all of my offer to teach in Ontario. In replying to that letter today I made the offer again also a second offer like this: - Send me a writing showing that I have successfully completed the course in Household Science at Toronto University and stating also that my certificate is on file at the Ontario Department of Education and signed by the Minister of Education or the President of the University of

Toronto and I will return
the certificate. I think in
all fairness and justice I am
entitled as much consideration
as any Ontario member of the class.
Edith Mutch from Charlottetown
P.E.I. and I were the only ones
outside of Ontario in our class.
I do not know how they have
treated her. Kindly send
me an acknowledgement of my
work and I will return the
certificate to the department
and oblige,

Yours truly,

Hazel McCain.